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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants request that citation and examination of the references identified on the attached PTO-SB08A form, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98, be made during the course of examination of the above-referenced application for United States Letters Patent.

The cited references were cited in an Office Action dated April 25, 2006, in the Japanese counterpart application No. JP2002-361302. A copy of the foreign patent documents are submitted herewith.

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